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AUGUST 1 CROP PRODUCTION FORECAST

Charleston, West Virginia – **All other hay** production (excluding alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures) is forecast at 1,026,000 tons, up 57,000 tons from 2015. The area harvested is expected to total 570,000 acres, unchanged from the previous year. Average yield per acre is forecast at 1.80 tons, up 0.10 tons per acre from 2015.

Based on August 1 conditions, **apple** production is forecast at 80.0 million pounds, down 10.2 million pounds from 2015.

Based on August 1 conditions, **peach** production is forecast at 2,900 tons (5.8 million pounds). The forecast is down 2,900 tons or 50 percent from the 2015 crop of 5,800 tons.

UNITED STATES AUGUST 1, 2016 FORECAST WITH 2015 COMPARISONS

- Corn production 15.2 billion bushels, up 11 percent.
- Corn yield 175.1 bushels per acre, up 6.7 bushels.
- Oats production 76.9 million bushels, down 14 percent.
- Winter wheat production 1.66 billion bushels, up 21 percent.
- Alfalfa and Alfalfa mixtures hay production 61.5 million tons, up 4 percent.
- All other hay production 79.0 million tons, up 5 percent.
- All tobacco production 697.0 million pounds, down 3 percent.
- Burley tobacco production 150.0 million pounds, up 4 percent.
- Soybean production 4.06 billion bushels, up 3 percent.
- Barley production 190.0 million bushels, down 12 percent.
- Apple production 10.4 billion pounds, up 4 percent.
- Peach production (including CA Clingstone) 806,600 tons, down 5 percent.
- Peach production (excluding CA Clingstone) 486,600 tons, down 4 percent.